

# THE STAY

A WEEKLY NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO STAYERS.  
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## SCHOOL NOTES.

Edited by the  
County Superintendent.

I hereby call a meeting of the teachers of Randall county on Saturday, the 31st day of January, for the purpose of organizing a county Teacher's Institute. All teachers of the county are earnestly solicited to be in attendance, and all trustees, ex-teachers and friends of the school are respectfully invited to meet with us. Arrangements will be made to entertain the county teachers without expense to them, so that there will be no excuse for non-attendance on that account. Let me again urge the attendance and cooperation of the teachers in all school work.

Respectfully,  
A. N. Henson,  
County Superintendent.

When a teacher must lose a day in attending institutes or teachers' associations, it is but just, perhaps, that they should have credit on their account with the trustees for the day, but for no other reason. All time voluntarily lost by the teacher, including holidays, must be made up. The law says that the school month must consist of twenty days exclusive of holiday. If our teachers are not paid enough let us pay them better, but let us be honest and obey the laws.

Is it not about time the citizens were beginning to do something practical with reference to incorporating our town for school purposes. That we must have a school building at once admits of no controversy. Can it be built without the issuance of bonds? And if it can, would it be just for the present population to overtax themselves for the benefit of an unborn generation? When these two questions are answered we will have also decided the question of incorporation. It takes time to incorporate; it takes time to organize, to issue and place bonds; time to build, etc. Let us go to work.

There should be a hearty and sincere sympathy and cooperation between parents and teacher. Your teacher will appreciate it, your children will profit by it and you, as parent, will be the happier for it.

The first rainy day that you are confined in the room with your children all day, think of their teacher, who is thus confined five days in the week, not with your family alone, but with perhaps twenty family, heterogeneously thrown together, each representing a different order of training at home, and you will then have a faint conception of the responsibilities of a teacher and of your duty to render his burden as light as possible by encouraging your children to respect and obey him. Never speak ill of the teacher in the presence of your children no more than you would of their mother or father. By so doing you not only violate a sacred obligation but teach the child disrespect and insubordination.

The state and county apportionment of available funds for the county this year is \$6.92 per scholar. The local taxes, if

collected closely, will amount, on an average, to \$7.50 to \$8.00 per scholar.

The total enrollment of scholars according to the last census was 373, of which 188 are enrolled in Canyon District, No. 2.

The new district, No. 11, at Umbarger will vote on a 20ct. local tax next Saturday. It would be well if every district in the county would vote the 20ct. tax as it would produce a uniformity and much facilitate the assessment and collection of taxes. At present two districts, two and ten, levy 20cts on the \$100.00 valuation and district eleven will probably vote to levy that amount; the remainder levy the 15ct rate.

For first class jewelry of all kinds see Chamlee Jewelry Company.

C. R. Burrow went to Amarillo Tuesday.

## JUST RECEIVED

An Elegant line Carpets, Rugs, Matting, Linoleums

Also as fine a lot of Iron Beds as ever was brought to Canyon City.

Carpets from 25cts. to 65cts. per yard.  
Linoleums 40cts. to 65cts. per yard.  
Mattings 18cts. to 30cts. per yard.  
Iron Beds \$4.50 and upwards.

We are still selling Bed Room Suits for less money than you ever bought them before. We can sell you an A No 1 5 drawer Drop Head Sewing Machine for \$16.00.

Visit our Store and get our prices.

## THOMAS BROS.

Winter is coming on and now is the time to consider winter clothing. J. A. Wansley & Co. are showing an elegant line of good wearable woollens for children and ladies wear. Be sure to see them before buying.

We are authorized to announce that Mr. L. J. Thomson of Amarillo, is selling the best pianos and organs for less money and on better terms than any dealer in the Panhandle. Write him for prices or any information you may desire.

## AGAIN WE ARE AT YOU WITH NEW GOODS AND NEW PRICES.

We Lead. Others Follow.

Have just received our SECOND SHIPMENT OF FALL AND WINTER GOODS and ARE GOING TO SELL them at prices which will astonish our customers as well as our competitors. You can't afford to pay two prices for goods just because you are trading with a good clever fellow. We are all "good clever fellows", and every man owes it to himself to get the largest quantity and best quality for his money. See our Ladies and Children's Fleece Lined Union Suits and two Piece Flannel Suits. Gents, and Youth's Flannel Over Shirts from \$1.25 up. Gents, and Youth's Fleece Lined and all Wool Underwear from 50 cents to \$1.25 a garment. Ladies, Gents, and Children's all Wool hose from 15 to 40 cents. Gingham and Outings 5 cents per yard. All Standard Calicoes 4 cents per yard. 7 Spools of best thread 25 cents. We have anything you want that is carried in a general line and are making our prices just as close as we possibly can.

We Claim to have the BEST and FRESHEST Groceries in Canyon and nobody has ever denied the fact.

Your mail Orders will receive prompt attention and prices as if you were here yourself, but we prefer that you come along and see our goods. We Guarantee Perfect Satisfaction. Time will prove all we say, for verily we have come to stay,

## PATTILLO & GAMBLE.

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### Beverley Briefs.

We have had the coldest blizzard of the season. The last few days have been terrible. What an awful day last Wednesday was. Oh my, how the wind and snow did blow, it was the coldest day we have experienced for many, many days. Quite a lot of chickens, guineas, ducks and other fowls froze to death in this part of the country and quite a lot had their feet froze so they could hardly walk.

Mrs. Minnie Stevenson and husband, who live now on the Palo Duro canyon, were on this side last Sunday visiting her brothers, Albert and Julius Pietzsch.

Mrs. Rutter has quite a lot of kin folks moved into this part of the country. We haven't yet learned their names.

Mr. Alden Montgomery, of Ceta, was visiting near Beverly last Tuesday.

Quite a lot of people from this part of the country are on their way to Amarillo to attend court. They are summoned as witnesses in the Tom Thornton case.

Mr. Eiland and daughter, Miss Ida, visited Mrs. Jackson last

### Tuesday.

Sie Johnson, one of the JA cowboys, happened to a serious accident last Sunday. He roped a cow and had it tied to the horn of his saddle. The cow jerked the horse down on him, hurting him very badly. He suffered several days at the Tule ranch. He got some better and Mr. Kent took him to the JA ranch last Friday. We are in hopes he is not hurt as bad as is reported and will soon recover. We hate awfully bad to hear of anyone getting hurt so badly.

Jim Hyatte made a trip to Canyon City this week.

Sam Gregory and nephew, Frank Merrell, have moved back to the plains and say they have come to stay. We welcome them back in our midst.

Charlie McCrea and Mr. Dozier were over on this side attending to business this week. Charlie is delighted with the idea of his girl coming back.

No sickness, no deaths and no births that we have heard of since our last writing; everybody in good spirits and enjoying life.

Jasper.

### For Sale.

3 sections of school land in Swisher county, 1 mile from school. \$2000.00 worth of improvements. 135 acres in cultivation. 350 head of cattle and horses. Complete outfit of farming implements. Feed in abundance to carry all stock through the winter. Will sell for all cash or for one-half cash and the balance on time with interest.

W. W. Hastings,  
Panchon, Texas.

At 2:45 Thursday morning our county judge was aroused from his slumber by a loud rapping on his door. On responding he found outside an expectant young couple who were not only willing, but anxious to unite their fortunes by the ties of matrimony. The young lady appearing so childlike, the judge suspected that she might be under fourteen, but in answer to his question she claimed to be past eighteen, and as the young man presented a licence issued by the county clerk, he had nothing to do but pronounce, briefly, the ceremony that made Mr. N. A. Gray and Miss N. B. Scott (both of Tulia) husband and wife.

Otto Kendall and Bert Waddill are assisting Mr. Rowland to build a livery barn for R. E. Muncey in Amarillo this week.

Mr. Harry Gill was a pleasant caller at the STAYER office Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Reeves made us a brief call yesterday.

Mr. Bates wishes to inform the people that he is now ready to crush or grind all sorts of grain. He will crush for 15cts. per hundred or for toll. He has moved his machine to his home one-half mile west of the depot. Will run for the present on Saturdays only but if business demands will run all the time.

Sam Gregory, of Beverly, was in Canyon Monday.

Mrs. Emma Jackson, of Beverly, was in Canyon Sunday enroute to Amarillo. She stopped at the Rogerson while here.

### CANYON CITY BAKERY

Fresh Home Made Bread Baked every day. Pies and Cakes a Specialty. Cakes baked for Parties on Special order any day. Pure Home Made Candles always on Hand. Give me a Trial. Next door to Bank.

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Amarillo, Texas.

### OPIUM GATHERING.

A Revolution in the Manner of Packing Opium Being Discarded.

There is a revolution in opium packing in India which it is calculated will save the growers \$5,000,000 a year. Formerly, on taking the opium from the cultivators, it used to be placed in earthenware jars, and these jars were packed with straw into wicker baskets. This antiquated method will, however, be seen no more, for the jar system is being replaced by packing the opium in cloth and gunny bags. It has undergone a preliminary test of two years in one subagency and is now being given a crucial test by being tried side by side with the plan, half the opium of this season being packed in jars and half in bags. There is little doubt, however, as to the final opinion.

The advantages are obvious: First, no breakages can occur and there is much less lost by the amount of opium sticking or adhering to the sides. In the latter case it is estimated that one pound per jar is saved, while about five per cent. is lost in breakages, or about four pounds per jar. There is, therefore, a saving of about five pounds per jar, and as each subagency sends about 80,000 jars the saving amounts to 150,000 pounds. A chest of opium weighing 125 pounds sells for 1,000 rupees at least, so that the saving in one subagency alone comes to 1,200,000 rupees, which at the present rate of exchange may be taken to be equal to \$400,000. There are five subagencies in Bengal, and probably the same number in the northwestern provinces, which gives a total of \$4,000,000, to which it is added the saving in freight, owing to the bags being loaded in several layers in a railway truck, instead of only one layer of jars, we get nearly \$5,000,000.

The refreshment stalls for the hundreds of cultivators who bring in their produce are interesting. Their simple wants are easily satisfied, and the greater part of the refreshment provided consists of a mixture of parched barley and grain ground to powder, mixed with a little coarse sugar. These small farmers live on very little and make a great deal of money on their opium. —Chicago News.

### Feed and Water.

We have pasture, water and a variety of feeds for 300 head of cattle. (Steers preferred). Buie and Wallace.

### A Magazine 30 Years Old.

The Christmas (December) number of the Delineator is also the Thirtieth Anniversary Number. To do justice to this number, which for beauty and utility touches the highest mark, it would be necessary to print the entire list of contents. It is sufficient to state that in it the best modern writers and artists are generously represented. The book contains over 230 pages, with 34 full-page illustrations, of which 20 are in two or more colors. The magnitude of this December number, which 728 tons of paper and six tons of ink have been used, may be understood from the fact that the presses running 14 hours a day have been required to print blinding alone of the edition 600 copies representing over 600 sections which had to be red individually by hand.

W. D. Kirkland and Co. to Amarillo Wednesday building a residence of this place.

Wiley Robeson, of is visiting in Ca